

AIChE Beer Brewing Competition (ABBC) Rules and Regulations

- Team members must be aged 21+ (at least one team member must also be under the age of 35)
- Team members must be a current AIChE member (2017)
- Teams must be formed through an active AIChE local section
- Teams only from the continental United States can participate
- Teams must complete all registration and liability forms
- Teams must participate in both the tasting and poster competitions
- Each team's entry must be submitted in the form of 12 ounce bottles free of ink or labeling beyond competition entry labels. Bottle caps that are non-plain in color must have any logo or lettering obliterated.
 - Four bottles are required for each beer submission.
 - Alcohol content shall not exceed 15% by volume (ABV).
- Beers brewed on premises of competition, or at a commercial brewery or brewpub are not eligible. Only beers made from non-professional equipment are allowed to be entered.
- At least one team member must be present on competition day
- Local sections can have more than one team participate
- No part of an entry will be returned to a team. Bottles will not be returned.
- No alcoholic beverage shall be permitted to be poured except in the designated judging area and to the designated judges. Doing otherwise will be grounds for removal from the competition, the conference and subject to local laws.
- It is the responsibility of each team to adequately pack and ship competition entries in sturdy packaging that will resist damage and in a manner that abides by relevant laws and regulations. AIChE is NOT responsible for transportation or handling of any team's beer submissions.
 - A storage hall shall be provided at the competition site one day prior to the competition. However, no refrigeration shall be provided at the storage site. Temperature control is the responsibility of each team, however competition coordinators will have ice and buckets onsite the morning of the event.
- Judging shall occur in accordance with BJCP guidelines, including but not limited to the following:
 - Blind tasting where judges shall not have the identity of the brewer or entrant team.
 - Entries shall be judged in accordance with published style guidelines.
 - Judging panels shall have a minimum of two and maximum of four judges.
- Team posters shall include Beer recipe, Mass balances, % ABC calculations, Process used to brew, and other production information pertinent to the entrant and its style. To qualify for the Grand Prize, each team must submit a poster in the same beer style as the brewed beer.
- Each team shall conduct a 5 minute poster presentation during the scheduled event